

Eligibility requirement for the two programs differ. The **SRS** program provides a formula grant that flows directly from the US Department of Education to the local education agency. To be eligible for the program, districts must have an average daily attendance of 600 students or less and must be located in a NCES local code of 7 or 8 (or be located in a county with a population density of fewer than 10 people per square mile). To qualify for the **RLI** program, schools must have a child-poverty rate of 20% or higher (Census data) and be located in an area of the state classified by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) as having a locale code of 6, 7 or 8.